

AMENDMENTS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (previously presented) A packaging material comprising:
a substrate comprising at least one sheet of plastic material; the substrate having an inner surface and an outer surface;
a cold-seal cohesive coating on at least a portion of the inner surface of the substrate; and
an energy-cured release layer on the outer surface of the substrate, the release layer comprising a reacted-in slip agent, the release layer providing a surface for temporary adhesion of the cohesive without blocking of the cohesive upon removal of the cohesive from the release layer.
2. (previously presented) A packaging material according to claim 1, wherein the substrate comprises a laminate of at least two sheets of plastic material, one sheet being an outer sheet and the second sheet being an inner sheet.
3. (original) A according to claim 2, wherein an outer sheet of the laminate is clear, and further comprising printing on a surface between the outer sheet and an adjacent sheet.
4. (previously presented) A packaging material according to claim 1, further comprising printing on an outer surface of the substrate covered by the energy-cured release layer
5. (previously presented) A packaging material according to claim 1, wherein the cold-seal cohesive coating comprises natural rubber latex, styrene butadiene, isoprene or synthetic rubber.
6. (original) A packaging material according to claim 1, wherein the cold-seal cohesive coating comprises a minor proportion of acrylate or ethyl vinyl acetate.
7. (original) A packaging material according to claim 1, wherein the cold-seal cohesive coating is applied only over selected portions of the inner surface of the substrate.
8. (previously presented) A packaging material according to claim 1, wherein the energy cured release layer is an electron-beam cured coating.

9. (previously presented) A packaging material according to claim 1, wherein the energy cured release layer is a cross-linked epoxy acrylate coating.

10. (currently amended) A package comprising:
at least one sheet of flexible packaging material comprising:
a substrate comprising at least one sheet of plastic material,
a cold-seal cohesive on one or more portions of an inner side of the substrate, and
an energy-cured coating on an outer side of the substrate, the energy-cured coating comprising a reacted-in slip agent, the energy-cured coating serving as a release layer for the cold-seal cohesive so that the cold-seal cohesive remains attached to the inner side of the substrate and does not offset onto the energy-cured coating when the material is unrolled after being stored in a roll;

wherein said package has at least one seam formed by said cold-seal cohesive on the one or more portions of the inner side of the substrate cohering together.

11. (presently presented) A package according to claim 10, wherein the substrate comprises a laminate of at least two sheets of plastic material forming an outer sheet and an inner sheet.

12. (previously presented) A package according to claim 11, wherein an outer sheet of the laminate is clear, and further comprising printing between the outer sheet and the inner sheet.

13. (previously presented) A package according to claim 10, further comprising printing on an outer surface of the substrate which is covered by the energy-cured coating.

14. (previously presented) A package according to claim 10, wherein the cold-seal cohesive comprises natural rubber latex, styrene butadiene, isoprene or synthetic rubber.

15. (previously presented) A package according to claim 14, wherein the cold-seal cohesive comprises a minor proportion of acrylate or ethyl vinyl acetate.

16. (previously presented) A package according to claim 10, wherein the cold-seal cohesive is applied only over selected portions of the inner surface of the substrate.

17. (previously presented) A package according to claim 10, wherein said cold-seal cohesive is applied to the inner surface of said substrate only on the portion of the inner surface that forms the seam.

18. (original) A package according to claim 10, wherein the energy cured coating is an electron-beam cured coating.

19. (original) A package according to claim 10, wherein the energy cured coating is a cross-linked epoxy acrylate coating.

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27. (previously presented) A packaging material comprising:

a substrate formed from a flexible plastic material, the substrate having an inner surface and an outer surface;

a cold-seal cohesive applied to one or more portions of the substrate surfaces, the cohesive adapted to seal the substrate portions together in forming the package;

an electron beam energy cured coating on the outer surface of the substrate, the coating serving as a release layer for the cohesive upon contact between the coating and the cohesive such that the cohesive temporarily adheres to the coating and releases upon removal without adversely affecting the adhesive properties of the cohesive;

ink printed in a pattern on the outer surface of the substrate and covered by the coating, the coating providing a glossy surface for the ink and the package; and

a reacted-in slip agent within the coating.